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## FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Wednesday, July 12, 2017 Issued: 0800 CT

**National Weather Service** 

<u>Day 1 Hazards</u>: No significant impacts expected

Southern Region Headquarters Regional Operations Center Fort Worth, TX



## **Key Points**



#### Wednesday - Sunday

- Locally heavy rainfall may produce isolated flash flooding over western and northern New Mexico Wednesday and Thursday
- Otherwise....typical summertime afternoon/evening scattered thunderstorms over portions of the Region; widespread impacts are not expected

#### **Tropical Weather Outlook**

No new tropical cyclones are expected during the next 5 days

## \*FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Jul 12, 2017 - Jul 16, 2017

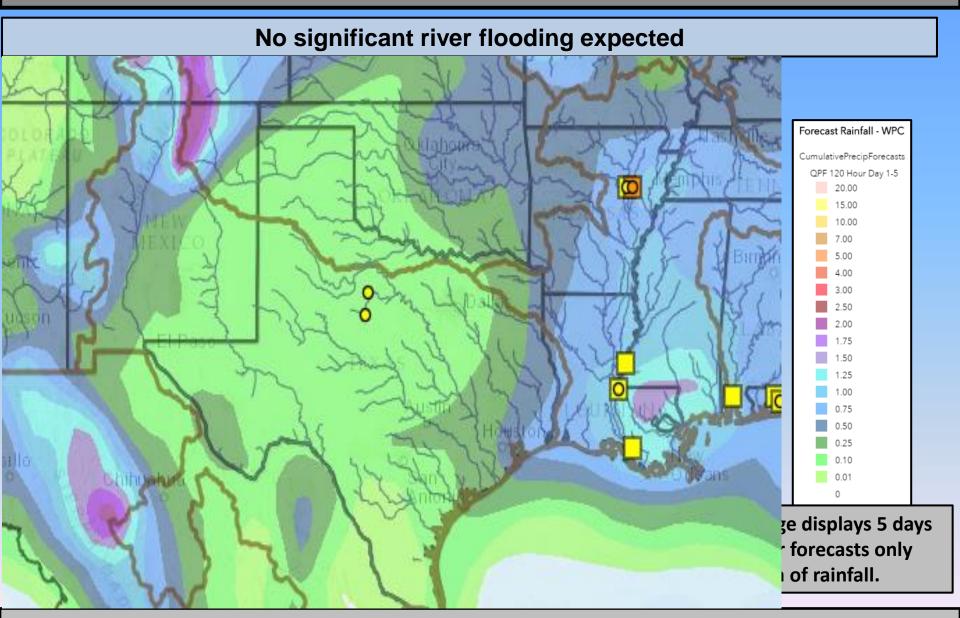
|                                | WED    | THU    | FRI | SAT | SUN |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----|-----|-----|
| Severe<br>Weather              |        |        |     |     |     |
| Heavy Rain /<br>Flash Flooding |        |        |     |     |     |
| Heat                           |        |        |     |     |     |
| River<br>Flooding              | W/N NM | W/N NM |     |     |     |
| Tropical<br>Weather            |        |        |     |     |     |

No Weather Threats Expected
Very Common – Happens Often
Common – Happens Frequently
Uncommon – A Few Times a Year
Rare – Once Every 1-5 Years
Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years

For more details on the colors in the threat matrix refer to the last slide in this briefing.

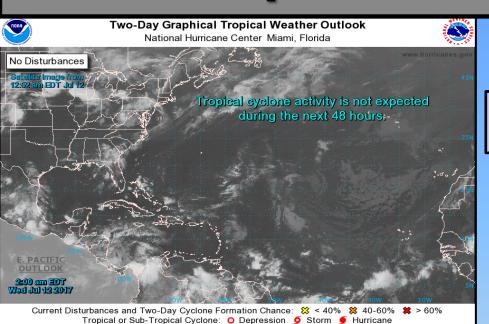


#### 5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status



For the latest on river flooding: <a href="http://water.weather.gov/ahps">http://water.weather.gov/ahps</a>

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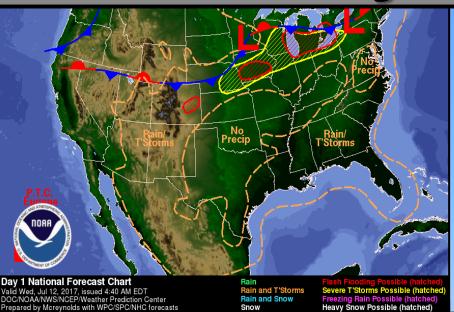


Post-Tropical Cyclone X Remnants

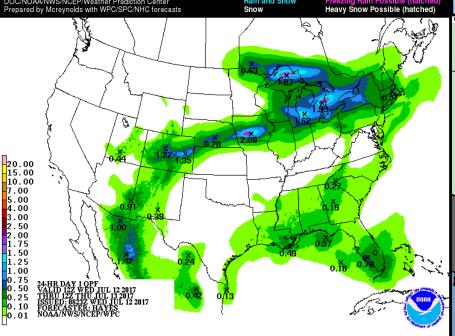
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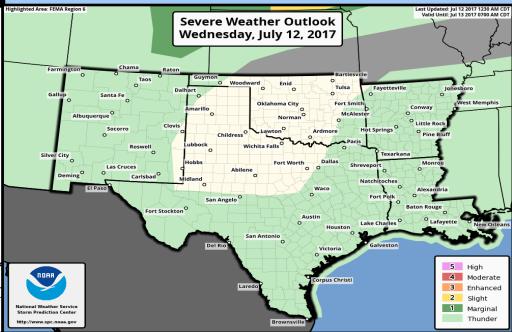


## Today's Weather

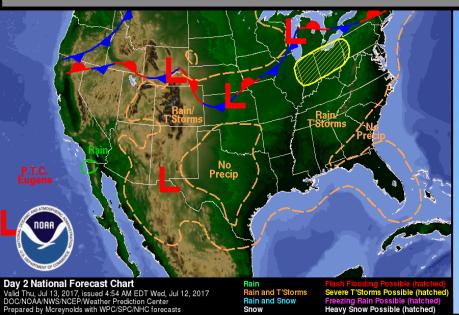


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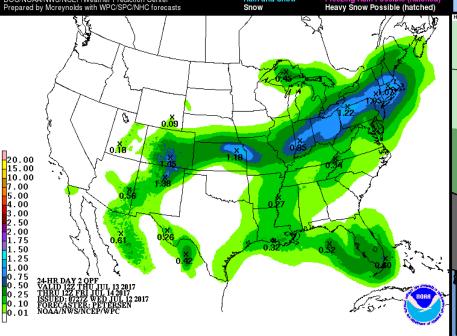


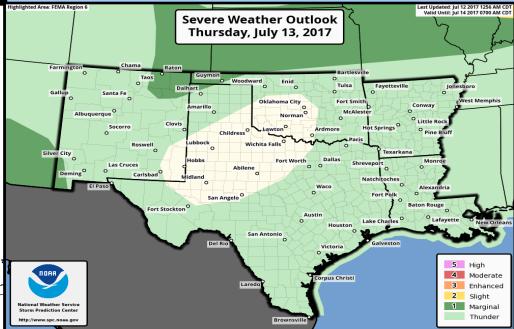


## Tomorrow's Weather

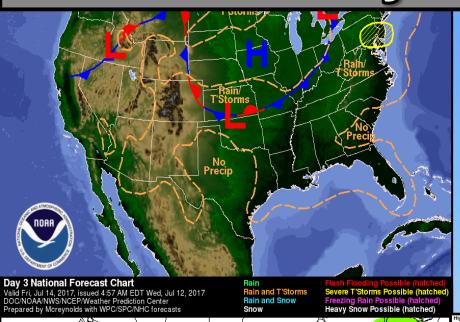


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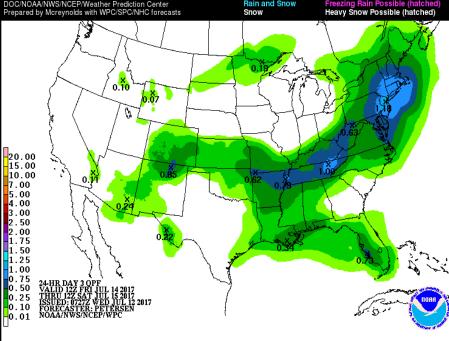




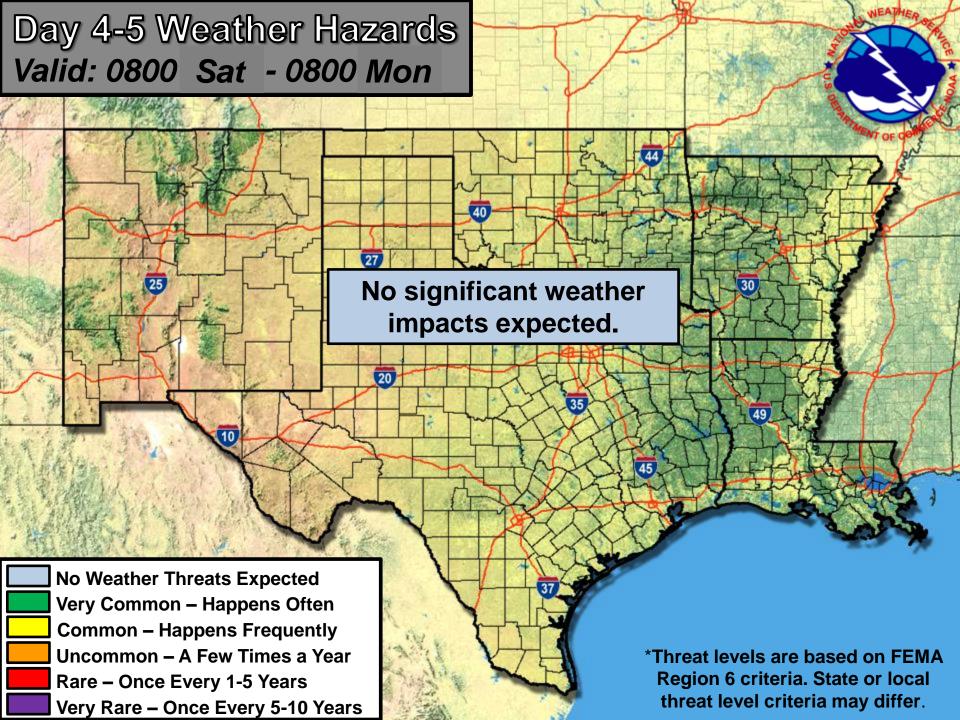
## Friday's Weather



No significant weather impacts expected.



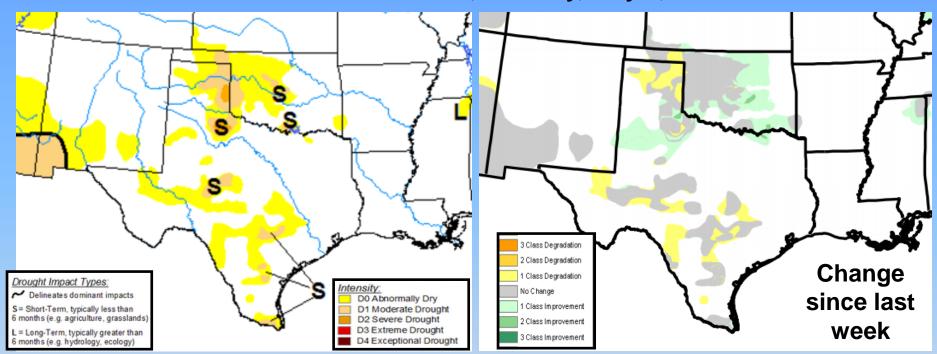






#### Drought Monitor Released July 6, 2017





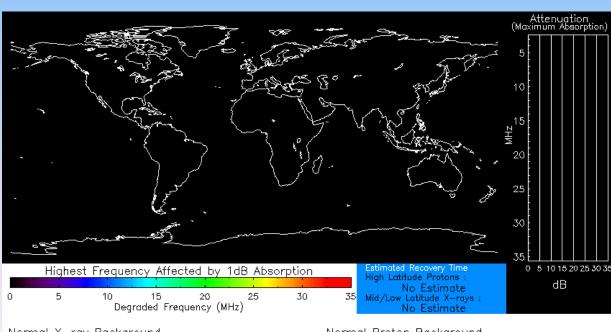
| Drought Conditions (Percent Area) in D3-D4 (Extreme to Exceptional Drought) |         |           |              |            |
|---|---------|-----------|--------------|------------|
| State   | Current | Last Week | 3 Months Ago | 1 Year Ago |
| Oklahoma  | 0.00%   | 0.00%     | 0.00%        | 0.00%      |
| Arkansas  | 0.00%   | 0.00%     | 0.00%        | 0.00%      |
| Texas   | 0.00%   | 0.00%     | 0.00%        | 0.00%      |
| Louisiana   | 0.00%   | 0.00%     | 0.00%        | 0.00%      |
| New Mexico  | 0.00%   | 0.00%     | 0.00%        | 0.00%      |

## Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

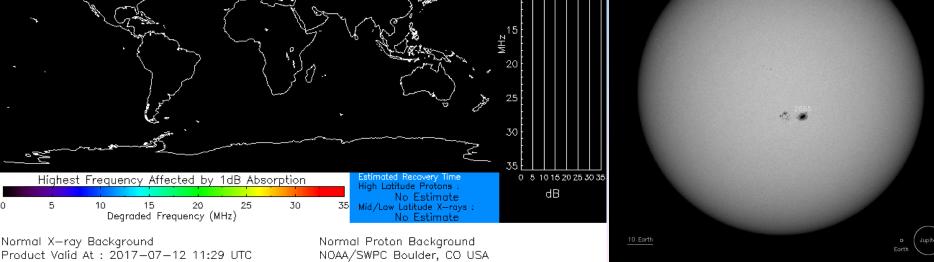
|                                  | Wednesday                           | Thursday                           | Friday                             |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Geomagnetic<br>Storms            | Unsettled to Active<br>(Max Kp = 4) | Quiet to Unsettled<br>(Max Kp = 3) | Quiet to Unsettled<br>(Max Kp = 3) |
| Solar Radiation<br>Storm (S1-S5) | 1%                                  | 1%                                 | 1%                                 |
| Radio Blackout<br>(R1-R2)        | 25%                                 | 25%                                | 25%                                |
| Radio Blackout<br>(R3-R5)        | 5%                                  | 5%                                 | 5%                                 |

Click here for a **Description of the Space Weather Storm Scales** 

**Click here for the Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast Text** 



Normal Proton Background NOAA/SWPC Boulder, CO USA



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| Weather "Threat" Matrix |   |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Color                   | Definition  | Criteria   | Example(s)   |  |  |
| Green                   | Very Common Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines   | Severe: Marginal Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over localized areas Tropical: None Fire Weather: No Watches/Warnings, fuel moisture above 10% or green up active   | Thunderstorms expected over LA this afternoon; a few may produce winds to knock down a few trees Something that happens almost every day in a particular season such as seabreeze storms in coastal TX   |  |  |
| Yellow                  | Somewhat Common — Happens Frequently Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life  | Severe: Slight Risk from SPC Flooding: Nuisance flooded expected for a widespread area, or Minor flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A weak tropical wave expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire Weather: Red Flag Watches/Warnings and/or SPC outlines enhanced or critical fire outlook   | <ul> <li>2-3 inches of rainfall expected over central AR today and tonight; some minor (brief) street flooding possible</li> <li>Scattered severe storms possible, one or two tornadoes expected, along with reports of strong winds/wind damage and ~1" hail</li> </ul>   |  |  |
| Orange                  | Uncommon — A Few Times a Year Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life                                     | Severe: Enhanced Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations), or Moderate flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A Tropical Storm expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Critical fire outlook for more than 2 consecutive days, Warnings for 2 or more consecutive days, D3-D4 drought conditions | A snow/sleet mix is expected to move through or near the DFW area tomorrow morning; travel impacts likely     Numerous severe storms possible, a few tornadoes possible along with several reports of wind damage along with damaging hail     Some large fires reported, burn bans advertised, critical conditions expected |  |  |
| Red                     | Rare – Once every 1-5 Years Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life                            | Severe: Moderate Risk from SPC Flooding: Moderate flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Hurricane expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large areas of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Severe to extreme drought  | A Category 1 hurricane will be moving towards the NW Gulf in the next few days     Widespread severe storms likely, strong tornadoes, widespread wind damage, and destructive hail     Large fires ongoing throughout the area with critical fire weather conditions expected to continue                                    |  |  |
| Purple                  | Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years Safety: Property Damage Unavoidable, Immediate Action to Save Life will be Needed Impact Potential: Typically Results in Long-Lived Widespread Major Disruption to Daily Life | Severe: High Risk from SPC Flooding: Major flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Major Hurricane (Cat3 or greater) expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large area of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Long term (months) of severe to extreme drought                            | A Category 4 hurricane is headed towards the SE LA; major storm surge, flooding and damaging winds anticipated to begin tomorrow     Widespread severe storms expected, tornado outbreak probable with long-lived, very widespread and particularly intense storms   |  |  |